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President

Mr. Michael A. Pierle
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Dear Mike:

Welcome back from vacation! I trust you're now well rested enough to tackle the many challenges that await us!

I took the liberty, in your absence and per your suggestion, of meeting Monday with Mike Foresman and Jack Molloy at our plant. The exchange of information was, I believe, beneficial to both parties and I'm sure Mike will update you.

Briefly, I mentioned the possibility of a one page "standstill agreement, which our attorney believed Phocion Park had at one time that would permit us (and any other possible PRP's) to co-operate without prejudice, if you feel this would be desirable.

From a substantive standpoint, I indicated we would like to convince IEPA of at least three things,

- (a) That IEPA be persuaded to have E & E complete the field work and to issue a draft report solely on the results of the field work, without reaching conclusions on remediation, and without initiating any activity to list the site on the Superfund list.
- (b) We should discuss with them a consent agreement or other arrangement by which industry would sponsor any additional work necessary to do a functional equivalent of an RI/FS for some or all of the sites, and
- (c) We should try to persuade IEPA to cease trying to involve USEPA on an emergency response basis and trying to list the sites.

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My first question Mike is, does Monsanto agree with these objectives?

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Secondly, you will recall our earlier conversation with Jim Patterson on a "broader approach." I discussed this also briefly with Mike and Jack, and have enclosed a copy of our efforts to date, for your review. We would like to restrict the circulation of copies at this time, but have no pride of authorship and would value your input. This general approach, which seems a common sense one to us, would be utilized together in the fashion we discussed earlier, if Earle Harbison agrees.

We remain committed to continuing to work cooperatively with Monsanto, as we have in the past on many projects, so that we both do whatever is environmentally responsible, and at the same time maintain employment in this area.

Please call me whenever you get your feet back on the ground!

Best regards,

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